THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c) The Tamil Nadu Electricity Board (TNEB) had submitted a Feasibility Report for Pillaiperumalanallur gas based power station (600 MW) to the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) with 300 MW in Stage I and 300 MW in Stage II. The CEA accorded techno-economic clearance in May 1991 to Stage I of the proposal subject to certain conditions including firm tie-up of gas linkage in the required time frame. Gas availability for the project is yet to be confirmed Stage II of the project is not being pursued in the CEA in view of the non-availability of gas and TNEB has been informed accordingly. Investment approval can be accorded only on tying-up of all necessary inputs including gas linkage.

Due from SEBs towards Rural Electrification Corporation

2203. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have called upon State Electricity Board to pay up crores of rupees which they owe to the Rural Electrification Corporation; and

(b) if so, what is the exact amount due to the Corporation and the names of the Electricity Boards which owe the amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As on 31-1-1994, Rs. 604.73 crores was outstanding as dues of REC against various State Electricity Boards. State-wise details are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

The Dues Position as on 31-1-1994. (*TENTATIVE*

(Rs. in crore)

S. No.	Name of SEBs	Total dues as on 31-1-1994
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board	17.24
2	Arunachal Pradesh	.14
3	Assam State Electricity Board	31.33
4	Bihar State Electricity Board	132.12
5	Gujarat Electricity Board	.22
6	Haryana State Electricity Board	2.67
7	Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board	.04
8	Jammu & Kashmir Electricity Board	.24
9	Karnataka Electricity Board.	0
10	Kerala State Electricity Board	5.23
11	Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board	82.91
12	Maharashtra State Electricty Board	.09

1	2	3
13	Manipur	0
14	Meghalaya State Electricity Board	4.27
15	Mizoram	.06
16	Nagaland	0
17	Orissa State Electricity Board.	58.19
18	Punjab State Electricity Board.	.29
19	Rajasthan State Electricity Board	22.85
20	Sikkim	.15
21	Tamil Nadu Electricity Board	.47
22	Tripura	0
23	Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board	183.66
24	West Bengal State Electricity Board	62.56
	TOTAL	604.73

Hydel power generation in the country

2204. SHRIMATI ILA PANDA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to refer to answer to the Starred Question 64 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th December, 1993; and state the problems coming in the way of fuller utilisation of the hydel power potential in the country and what steps are being taken to solve these problmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): Amongst the problems coming in the way of fuller utilisation of hydel potential in the country are funds constraints, slow progress of civil works, clearance from environmental and forest angle, rehabilitation of project affected people, etc.

Ministry of Power and Central Electricity Authority closely monitor the progress of various activities of the projects under execution. Projects involving minimal impact on environment and forest are being identified. Detailed plans for catchment area treatment, compensatory afforestation and rehabilitation are being formulated to enable speedy clearance from environmental and forest angle. To bring additionality of resources, greater private participation is being encouraged to enable higher development of the hydel potential in the country.

Sick Mills taken over by national textile corporation

2205. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of Sick textile mills in madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat, taken over by the National Textile Corporation;

(b) the details of those mills which have been referred for liquidation; and those which have been or are nearing restoration of health; and

(c) the steps taken for reviving these mills so far?